

Sunday Morning Worship Celebration

Luke 13:10-21 | The Nature of the Kingdom

March 30, 2025

The Gospel of Luke: Love Came Down

Gathering

Prelude

Announcements

Praise

Call to Worship | Psalm 111:1-2

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

The Invocation

Praise | O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing [H. Tomlin]

Hymn/Psalm/Song of Praise

Confession & Assurance

Need of Confession | Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Corporate Confession of Sin

There are many times we think we love you well, O God. But upon hearing your call to love you with all our heart, and all our mind, and all our strength, we confess that our love for you is a diluted love, made insipid and flat by lesser loyalties and a divided heart. Our love seems pure only for brief moments; soon our affections are drawn away. How easily our devotion dies. Forgive us; in deep mercy spare us, despite our lost first love for you; in grace rekindle our love for you in seeing anew Jesus' love for us. Amen.

Personal Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon | Ephesians 1:7-8

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.

Gospel Hymn

Corporate Prayer & Giving

The Lord's Prayer (unison) / Pastoral Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us the day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, amen.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory | Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

By Chris Tomlin; Arranged by Tom Fettke. Presented by the LOPC men's choir.

Gloria Patri [Trinity Hymnal #735] TH #735

Hearing of the Word

Sermon | Luke 13:10-21, "The Nature of the Kingdom"

[10] Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. [11] And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. [12] When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your disability." [13] And he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God. [14] But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." [15] Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it? [16] And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" [17] As he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame, and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

[18] He said therefore, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it? [19] It is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his garden, and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches."

[20] And again he said, "To what shall I compare the kingdom of God? [21] It is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, until it was all leavened."

Hymn of Response	O Great God [Sovereign Grace Music]
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Sending

Benediction

Postlude